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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
ATTENTION: Mr. Reber

SUBJECT: Request for Approval of TALENT Billets (C)

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1. Reference a recent telephone conversation between Mr. Lampshire, your office, and Colonel Dodds, ISO, request confirmation of your verbal authorization of the Army Staff positions listed below as TALENT billets. Justification follows each position listed.

- a. Deputy Director of Guided Missiles, ODC/Operations
Deputy Director of Plans, ODC/Operations

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know" based on the fact that they are required to act upon important staff actions and coordinations during frequent absences of their principals who occupy authorized TALENT spaces.

- b. Executive Officer, OC/Research and Development
Chief, Surface-to-Air Missiles Division, OC/Research and Development
Executive Officer, Surface-to-Air Missiles Division, OC/Research and Development
Chief, Surface-to-Surface Missiles Division, OC/Research and Development
Two Action Officers, Surface-to-Surface Missiles Division, OC/Research and Development
Chief, Atomic Division, OC/Research and Development

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know," as a principal or alternate, for all available intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in their respective fields in order to discharge properly their responsibility with respect to keeping U. S. research and development activities abreast or ahead of the U.S.S.R.

- c. Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics

JUSTIFICATION: In order to provide full logistics support expeditiously to Army research and development efforts and Army participation in the TALENT program with respect to equipment, real estate, and the like, "must know" of the basis upon which requirements are established.

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- d. Chief of Transportation
Chief, Transportation Intelligence Division, OC/Transportation

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know" with respect to all transportation-type intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in order to fulfill Army responsibilities involving national estimates and various other types of intelligence documents.

- e. Chief, Signal Corps Intelligence Agency

JUSTIFICATION: Has a "must know" for all intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in order to fulfill properly his responsibilities to the Chief Signal Officer (a TALENT billet) and to insure that proper agencies are aware of Soviet electronic devices for which countermeasures are necessary.

- f. Chief Chemical Officer
Deputy Chief Chemical Officer for Scientific Activities and
Chief Scientist, OC/Chemical Officer
Deputy Commander for Scientific Activities, Chemical R&D
Command, OC/Chemical Officer
Chief, Chemical Corps Intelligence Agency, OC/Chemical Officer

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know" for all available CBR-type intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in order to fulfill Army responsibilities with respect to CBR detection, countermeasures, research and development, and participation in the formulation of estimates and other intelligence documents.

2. It is further requested that the following additional positions on the Army Staff be authorized as TALENT billets. Justification is as indicated in each case.

- a. Chief of Engineers
Chief, Engineer Intelligence Division, OC/Engineers
Chief, Engineer Intelligence Branch, OC/Engineers
Chief, Army Map Service, OC/Engineers

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know" for all available intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in order to fulfill Army responsibilities involving national estimates and various other types of intelligence documents.

- b. Chief of Special Warfare
Chief, Unconventional Warfare Division, OC/Special Warfare
Chief, Unconventional Warfare Plans and Policy Branch, OC/Special Warfare

JUSTIFICATION: Have a "must know" for all available intelligence on the Sino-Soviet Bloc in order to prepare realistic plans for Special Warfare operations.

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c. Chief, Civilian Personnel, Office of the Army Chief of Staff

JUSTIFICATION: Has a "must know" in order to be able to act properly and promptly on requirements for civilian personnel for participation in the Army TALENT program.



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Chief, Intelligence Support Office

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